

# Executive Proclamation

## State of South Dakota

### Office Of The Governor

"Upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of  
hades shall not prevail against it!" -- Matthew 16:18

WHEREAS, The Brooklyn Evangelical Free Church had its first meeting in the home of Nels J. Larson with the intention of organizing "a religious corporation or association for the purpose of religious worship;" and,

WHEREAS, The first building was erected by the congregation in 1891, and ten years later, on April 1, 1901, the first full-time resident pastor, the Reverend A. Fred Nelson, assumed his duties; and,

WHEREAS, Throughout the first one-hundred years, sharing the message of God's love has been the cohesive strength and unifying force of this close-knit church group; and,

WHEREAS, The church is blessed with a choir, a women's organization, a youth organization, and a Sunday School; all of which are organizations that have strengthened the cohesive bond of caring that unifies this fine church; and,

WHEREAS, The devotion of this church's following has grown in depth and loving understanding throughout the first century of its faithful commitment; and,

WHEREAS, Today, The Brooklyn Evangelical Free Church stands as a beacon of truth and grace for the people of Beresford and for those who share in the message of God's love everyday:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 13-15, 1982, as

#### BROOKLYN EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH DAYS

in South Dakota, and I join with the members and friends of the Church in celebrating a sacred century of service.



ATTEST:

*Alice Runder*  
ALICE RUNDER, SECRETARY OF STATE

BY *Jay D. Vogt*  
Jay D. Vogt, Deputy

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto  
set my hand and caused to be affixed  
the Great Seal of the State of South  
Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City,  
this Tenth Day of August, in the  
Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred  
and Eighty-Two

*William J. Janklow*  
WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

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